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(PATENT)

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Fabricio C. Possamai et al.

Application No.: 10/750,179

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Art Unit: 3746

For: VALVE ARRANGEMENT FOR A SMALL  
HERMETIC COMPRESSOR (AS AMENDED)

Examiner: T. P. Solak

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**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Notice of Allowability and Examiner's Amendment dated February 8, 2005 (Paper No. 2005020), please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.



## AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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Invention: SUCTION AND DISCHARGE VALVE ARRANGEMENT FOR A SMALL HERMETIC COMPRESSOR

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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

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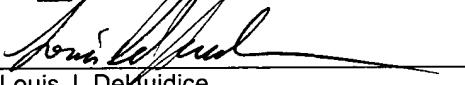
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